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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Re application of: Usuka *et al.*

Serial No. 10/015,167

Filed: December 11, 2001

Title: **System and Method for Predicting  
Chromosomal Regions That Control  
Phenotypic Traits**

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**TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice Of Missing Parts Of Application - Filing Date Granted" mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 25, 2002, Applicants submit the following documents to complete the filing for the above-identified application:

1. A Declaration for Non-provisional Patent Application signed by the inventors in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63; and
2. A return copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted.

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The documents submitted complete the filing of the above-identified patent application and justify the filing date of **December 11, 2001**. This form is being submitted in duplicate.

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